

# The Store of the Christmas Spirit

## Again to the Forefront for the Holiday Gift Buying Season

There's never been a time when this store entered the holiday season so splendidly equipped and prepared to supply every need, want or desire—for the boy or girl of three to the man or woman of seventy-three. Please remember also that (in addition to this store's recognized supremacy in quality, assortments and value giving) we will gladly give you any suggestion or information which will render your gift choosing easier or more enjoyable. We're here to SERVE you—the whole store is completely at your service.

### Our Haberdashery Section

Is brimming with gifts. Just a short list:—Mufflers and Reefers, Neckwear, Silk Handkerchiefs, Linen Handkerchiefs, Initial Handkerchiefs, Fancy Fringed Handkerchiefs, Boxed Initial Handkerchiefs, Suspenders and Garters, Arm Bands and Fancy Hose, Underwear and Night Shirts, Gloves, lined, unlined and knit.

### ...Warner's Corsets...

in stock. All kinds and qualities.

### Comforts & Blankets

to suit any pocket-book or bed. Just the thing to keep you warm while you snooze.

HAND BAGS—None better in the city.

### ..Black Silk Waists..

The most complete line ever carried in Yale. The latest in style and quality.



The success of Queen Quality Shoes is world famous. It is the world's standard of "a perfect shoe for women at moderate cost." You can absolutely depend upon them. Queen Quality stamped on a shoe is as reliable as Sterling on silver, or 22 karat on gold.

### Queen Quality

We owe a great portion of our fine business to the merits of these famous shoes. We recommend them to every woman who wants real comfort and expects full value.

### Winter Boots

This style is very popular just now as a winter boot. It comes in dull leather or tan calf, price ..... \$4. We carry a full line of Queen Quality Boots, any leather or style you may desire. Prices range from \$3.50 to \$5.



The woman who likes her boots to be good looking but cannot afford to pay much for them, will appreciate these boots:

### Tan Boots

Also a very pretty boot in tan calf, button style, all sizes included, for, the pair, ..... \$3

### Dull Boots

These have the same styles and make-up of the higher priced ones and will give splendid service. Price ..... \$3

THE STORE OF FAMOUS SHOES

### Sweaters

Ladies' and children's all-wool at one-half their real value. These sweaters represent an entire line of Sample Sweaters, and guaranteed pure wool, and beautifully woven in many styles and colors. Every sweater offered is suitable for an Xmas Gift, and sells regularly everywhere at double the price we have on them, as you will realize the moment you see them.

### Gloves

For men, women and children. Husbands buy gloves for their wives, wives for their husbands, mothers and fathers for their children. Women's fine mocha gloves and mitts, black, brown and gray. Child's knit wool gloves and mitts, all sizes and colors

### Handkerchiefs

An exceptionally fine offering in all kinds of handkerchiefs for men and women. There are fine hemstitched handkerchiefs for women, imported soft linen for women, fine imported initial handkerchiefs for men and women, Donegal and Armenian lace edge handkerchiefs. Handkerchiefs for children and for all Yale.

### Our Grocery Line

is one of the best ever carried in Yale. Everything fresh and up-to-date. See us for Christmas nuts and candies. We have a fine supply of Xmas goods and would like to supply your needs in this line.

# J. M. SMITH

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YALE, MICH.

Masonic Block

## ..WITH BEST WISHES..

For a  
**Merry Christmas and  
a Happy New Year**



We invite you to inspect our line of Groceries and let us fill your order for your Christmas dinner. We are prepared to supply all your wants in the grocery line. We have provided an exceptionally fine line of

**Oranges, Bananas, Cranberries, Grapes, Nuts, Candies, Etc., Etc.**

Cleanliness, quality and low price is our path for your patronage

# ..FRED TAYLOR..

### CHRISTMAS WOODING OF CUPID.

Mystic Love Spells With Apples in Foreign Lands.

Apples enter into many Christmas spells. In Austria on Christmas eve the apple must be cut in halves in the dark and without being touched by the hand. The left hand half is then placed in the bosom of the diviner and the right hand half behind the door of the bedroom. Then at midnight, should the spell have been fully carried out, the spirit or "astral" of the beloved one appears, standing beside the half which was laid behind the door.

Another charm is to cut an apple in two and count the seeds in each half. If the numbers are even marriage will be soon. If a seed is cut in two there will be trouble in the course of love, and should two seeds be cut there will be early widowhood.

A Sicilian maiden throws the fruit from her window into the street and watches. Should it lie long without being picked up she will be widowed soon after marriage. Should it be picked up by a woman marriage will not be within the coming year, but should it be picked up by a man then she will be wedded before the next year is ended.

### Christmas Day.

How will it dawn, the coming Christmas day.  
A northern Christmas such as painters love,  
And kindfolk, shaking hands but once a year,  
And dames who tell old legends by the fire?  
Red sun, blue sky, white snow and peated ice,  
Keen, ringing air, which sets the blood on fire  
And makes the old man merry with the young,  
Through the short sunshine, through the longer night?  
In whatsoever garb or gay or sad,  
Come fair, come foul, 'twill still be Christmas day.  
—Charles Kingsley.

### MEMORABLE YULETIDES.

Odd Coincidence of Queen Victoria's Sorrows at Christmas Time.

One of the most extraordinary Christmas days London ever had was that of 1801. The shops had been, as usual, specially prepared and decorated with the object of attracting the buyers when suddenly, on Dec. 22, a thick fog came on. Not until the evening of Dec. 23 did it lift. This particular fog held the record for being the heaviest London had known. Thirty lives were lost and over 200 accidents recorded.

Christmas, 1800, was the coldest England and Scotland had ever experienced. Just three years later Christmas day was marked by news that

William Makepeace Thackeray, the great novelist, was dead.

The late Queen Victoria's most memorable Christmases were the most pathetic. It was in less than a fortnight from Dec. 25, 1801, that her husband, the prince consort, passed away. So affected was her majesty that she allowed fifteen years to pass before she celebrated Christmas day in the traditional fashion. Then on Christmas day in 1872 the Prince of Wales, who became King Edward VII, was so ill that his life was despaired of. But he made a remarkable recovery.

### USE MOST CHRISTMAS CANDY.

Several Million Dollars' Worth Sold to New Yorkers.

Three million dollars' worth of Christmas candies is New York city's annual holiday bill.

The amount of money spent by New Yorkers during the holidays for candy alone is so great that it seems out of proportion to the amount donated for charity until it is remembered that perhaps one-third or more of all the candy bought during the last half of December is given away by secular and religious societies, by Sunday schools and churches, and that consequently a large part of the sum belongs in the charity account.

Three or four New York manufacturers get the bulk of this class of orders, and they agree that, even taking the population of the city into account, New York's consumption of candy exceeds that of any other city.

### CHRISTMAS IN NORWAY.

Richly Cooked Rice a Popular Dish. Brownies Used to Share It.

The day before Christmas the holidays really begin. It is customary to have richly cooked rice served with milk or fruit juice for dinner. In the afternoon a blanchet almond, and he who gets this receives a present. The practice used to be prevalent among the peasants to set out a dish of this Christmas rice in the barn for the gnomes or brownies, whom they thought would do some good turn for them in payment.

Flowers always make a home look festive, and the custom in Norway is to send these as messengers of love at Christmas.

W. F. Whittaker, Broadway & 143rd St., New York City, is offering a very handsome set of White Iceland Fox fur sets at \$15.00, which will be sent to any part of the United States prepaid. Also a beautiful Manchurian Lynx set at \$10.00. Mr. Whittaker invites every lady reader of this paper to write for full particulars and photos of these beautiful sets of furs. You should write today, a postal will do. 32-4

Try an Expositor Liner.

### SIMPLE CHRISTMAS MENU.

Oyster Cocktail.  
Chestnut Almonds.  
Olives.  
Cream of Tomato Soup.  
Roast Turkey.  
Larded Dressing.  
Cranberries.  
Celery.  
Potato Croquettes.  
Spinach.  
Cabbage Salad.  
Lettuce Leaves.  
Plum Pudding.  
Hard Sauce.  
Vanilla Ice Cream.  
Glasses.  
White Mountain Cake.  
Bonbons.  
Crackers.  
Cheese.  
Coffee.

### A CHRISTMAS IN WAR.

"Fighting Bob" Evans' Story of the "Present" to Fort Fisher.

"On Christmas morning," said Rear Admiral Evans, U. S. N., retired, "I thank God that he made three times as much water as land. No true sailor would exchange Christmas at sea for one on shore.

"Of all the Christmases spent at sea the one that rises before me most vividly is that of 1865, when the Federal army and the gunboat fleet were trying to capture Fort Fisher. The only presents we received, and they came fast and furious, were solid shot and shell from the guns of the enemy. But this didn't destroy our sense of humor. The boys would write on each solid shot or shell before placing it in the gun, 'Presented by,' and add the name of the vessel from which it happened to be fired. Mighty few hurried at the fort that day lacked this Christmas greeting. All the gunners caught the spirit of the grim jest, for the fighting line is no place for serious faces.

"Despite the excitement of the fierce combat we managed to have the mastheads of all the ships trimmed with Christmas greens, even though the sailors had to risk their lives in going ashore to get them, and you may be assured the sentiment of the day was not wasted."

No nation provides more plentifully for the Christmas cheer of its sailors than does Uncle Sam. Each of the battleship crews has a dinner of roast turkey, plum pudding, pumpkin pie and all the trimmings to go with it. The men are served in messes of twenty at 12 o'clock, and each man is allowed one snifter of grog as an appetizer in celebration of the occasion.

The officers dine at 6 o'clock and, as is the custom when spending the holiday at sea, are guests of the commanding officer.

### Horses

I will buy horses worth anywhere from \$25 to \$150 if in fair condition and any age. Drop postal card to Karl Wohlberg, 2841 Stone-st., Port Huron, or phone 561.

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